

PRESS RELEASE



Amador and Calaveras Superior Courts

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RE: Potential Scam

The officials at the Amador and Calaveras Superior Courts want to inform residents about a potential scam that identity thieves have been running in many states, including California. The scammer contacts persons by telephone claiming to be an employee of the local trial court. The scammer notifies the person answering the phone that they failed to report for jury duty and that a warrant for their arrest will be issued. When the recipient of the call states they were never summoned for jury duty, the scammer will then seek to solicit personal identifying information, such as social security number, date of birth, credit card information, etc. for "verification" purposes.

To their knowledge, court officials are unaware of any persons in either Amador or Calaveras counties having received such a call, however wanted to notify residents of the potential scam and to emphasize that the trial courts will never contact potential jurors to ask for social security numbers, or any other personal identifying information.

If you believe you may have been a victim of this scam, you are encouraged to report the call to your local law enforcement official.